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SUBJECT: MORNING SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT REPORTS

1. SPAIN: AN ASSESSMENT OF SUAREZ' NEW CABINET

EMBASSY MADRID, AT FIRST GLANCE, IS MODERATELY HOPEFUL ABOUT
THE NEW SUAREZ CABINET. IN ITS FAVOR:

--THE CABINET IS CENTRIST, AND ITS ECONOMIC LEADERS ARE
CONGENIAL TO THE FINANCIAL COMMUNITY.

--ITS COMMITMENT TO REFORM IS PROBABLY GENUINE.

--THE OPPOSITION, IN PRIVATE, APPEARS OPEN-MINDED.

BUT THE NEW INTERIM GOVERNMENT FACES SOME STERN PROBLEMS,
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--WHAT TO DO ABOUT THE REFERENDUM;

--HOW TO REFORM THE CORTES;

--LABOR AND ECONOMIC REFORM;

--HOW TO HANDLE THE OPPOSITION, ESPECIALLY THE COMMUNISTS; AND

--HOW TO MAINTAIN PUBLIC ORDER WHILE CURBING THE EXCESSES OF THE CIVIL GUARD IN THE BASQUE COUNTRY.

THE SUAREZ GOVERNMENT, THE EMBASSY NOTES, IS DIRECTLY IDENTIFIED WITH THE KING. SHOULD THE GOS RUN INTO HEAVY WEATHER, THAT COULD PROVE TROUBLESOME. (CONFIDENTIAL) MADRID 5299, 7/8.)

2. SHOWING THE FLAG IN KENYA

PRESIDENT KENYATTA AGREED ENTHUSIASTICALLY WITH THE SECRETARY'S SUGGESTION THAT A US AIRCRAFT AND FRIGATE PAY PEACEFUL PORT CALLS ON KENYA. ACCORDING TO AMBASSADOR MARSHALL, KENYATTA:

--WAS ESPECIALLY PLEASED WITH THE IDEA OF A VISIT BY A P-3 AIRCRAFT, PREFERRING A "LAND" RATHER THAN NAVAL EMPHASIS;

--DOES NOT THINK AN ATTACK FROM UGANDA IS "IMMINENT," BUT ADDED, "I DON'T KNOW WHAT THIS MAN AMIN MAY DECIDE TO DO;"

--WILL NOT NOW CALL FOR OAU MEDIATION; AND

--SAYS HE WILL SWEAR HIS ADVISORS TO SECRECY CONCERNING THE PROPOSED VISITS.

AMBASSADOR'S COMMENT: THE SECRECY BEING IMPOSED BY KENYATTA MAY WELL NULLIFY THE EFFECT OF OUR INDICATIONS OF SUPPORT. I RECOMMEND WE SUGGEST TO KENYATTA THAT THE P-3
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AND FRIGATE VISITS BE PUBLICLY MADE KNOWN AT AN APPROPRIATE TIME. (SECRET) NAIROBI 7042 (EXDIS), 7/8.)

3. ENTEBBE: ISRAEL PUBLICLY CONDEMNED, PRIVATELY ADMIRER

REPORTING FROM MANY EMBASSIES REVEALS A COMMON THEME IN REACTION TO THE ISRAELI RAID ON ENTEBBE AIRPORT: PRIVATE ADMIRATION COUPLED WITH PUBLIC RESERVE OR CONDEMNATION OF

ISRAEL'S VIOLATION OF UGANDAN SOVEREIGNTY.

--A BLAND DAMASCUS EDITORIAL REFERS TO SYRIA'S UNITY WITH UGANDA IN THE FACE OF "RACIALIST AGGRESSION."

--SENEGAL SUPPORTED THE UNANIMOUS OAU CONDEMNATION OF ISRAEL BUT AN MFA OFFICIAL REMARKED TO AN EMBASSY OFFICER, "BETWEEN YOU AND ME, IT'S A GOOD THING."

--THE SWEDES, THOUGH UNPREPARED TO SUPPORT THE US DRAFT RESOLUTION AT THE UN, ASKED FOR MORE INFORMATION ON UGANDA'S AND AMIN'S COMPLICITY.

--CAIRO WILL FOLLOW THE OAU LEAD IN THE UN, AND STRESSED THAT THE QUESTION OF UGANDAN COMPLICITY IS BESIDE THE POINT; NATIONAL SOVEREIGNTY IS THE ISSUE.

--THE BRITISH DID NOT CONGRATULATE ISRAEL, BUT MAY REACT MORE STRONGLY NOW THAT AN ELDERLY DUAL NATIONAL HOSTAGE WAS REPORTED KILLED IN KAMPALA.

--EMBASSY BUCHAREST SAYS THE RUMANIANS DO NOT RELISH SUPPORTING AMIN, TERRORISTS AND ANTI-ISRAEL POSITIONS, BUT WILL PROBABLY "GO ALONG TO GET ALONG" WITH THE LDC'S. (CONFIDENTIAL) LONDON 10628, DAKAR 4335, CAIRO 9249, STOCKHOLM 3736, DAMASCUS 4402 AND BUCHAREST 3988, 7/8.)

4. QADHAFI'S NEIGHBORS FOCUS ON TROUBLEMAKING CLOSER TO HOME

TUNISIA AND NIGER ARE CONCERNED ABOUT LIBYAN PLANS TO OVERTHROW THEIR GOVERNMENTS. ON THE HEELS OF LIBYAN COMPLICITY
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IN THE SUDANESE COUP ATTEMPT:

--TUNIS CHARGES THE LARG WITH RECRUITING AND TRAINING DISSIDENT TUNISIANS FOR A COUP ATTEMPT.

--THE PRESIDENT OF NIGER CALLED IN AMBASSADOR HECK TO EXPRESS CONCERN ABOUT THE "ERRATIC MADMAN," AND ASKED FOR ANY INTELLIGENCE INFORMATION ON QADHAFI'S PLANS THE USG COULD PROVIDE. (SECRET) NIAMEY 3122 AND TUNIS 4809, 7/8.)

5. DE CUELLAR OFF TO ANKARA AND ATHENS

UNSYG SPECIAL REPRESENTATIVE DE CUELLAR DISCUSSED HIS FORTHCOMING TRIP TO ATHENS AND ANKARA WITH AMBASSADOR CRAWFORD

YESTERDAY, SAYING HE IS NOT SANGUINE ABOUT THE POSSIBILITY OF MOVING THE CYPRUS TALKS ALONG.

--BOTH MAKARIOS AND DEMIREL ARE FUNDAMENTALLY DISINTERESTED IN REAL NEGOTIATIONS.

--THE VISITS ARE PRIMARILY TO DEFINE FOR WALDHEIM THE OBSTACLES THAT MUST BE OVERCOME.

--DE CUELLAR MAY TRY OUT THE IDEA THAT A RESUMED PLENARY SHOULD BE DEVOTED TO DISCUSSION OF RESPECTIVE TERRITORIAL CRITERIA, WITHOUT ANY MAPS.

WHEN AMBASSADOR CRAWFORD SUGGESTED THAT HE TAKE A MORE POSITIVE LINE, DE CUELLAR SAID HE WOULD START WITH A SUGGESTION THAT THE PARTIES COULD TABLE INITIAL MAPS FOR BARGAINING IN SUBCOMMITTEE. (CONFIDENTIAL) NICOSIA 1878, 7/8.)

6. ITALY: A SOCIALIST'S VIEW

A YOUNG SOCIALIST LEADER CLOSE TO DE MARTINO PROVIDED EMBASSY ROME WITH HIS ASSESSMENT OF THE POLITICAL SITUATION THERE.

--THE PSI HAS NO CHOICE, IN THE SHORT RUN, BUT TO CONTINUE ITS INSISTENCE ON PCI PARTICIPATION IN A NEW
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GOVERNMENT.

--THESE URGINGS NOTWITHSTANDING, ITALY WILL PROBABLY HAVE A GOVERNMENT STABILIZED BY PCI "BENEVOLENT ABSTENTIONS."

--THE PSI FACES INEVITABLE EXTINCTION IN ITALY AS THE COMMUNISTS SLOWLY CO-OPT ITS PLATFORM. (SECRET) ROME 10946, 7/7.) KISSINGER

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